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Title: Need to solve the problems relating to establishment of Railway Junction at Oorukere in Tumakuru taluk of Karnataka.

SHRI S.P. MUDDAHANUME GOWDA (TUMKUR): Indian Railways process a lot of landed properties which is required for development of railway projects. Tumakuru-Rayadurga railway project in Karnataka is an ongoing project connecting both Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. Acquisition of land for the purpose of laying Railway line as well as creating junction is in process.

Process has been made for the purpose of a Railway Junction near Ooruker in Tumakuru taluk in Karnataka under the Tumakuru-Rayadurga Railway Project. This junction is very important since it is proposed at Chennai-Bangalore industrial Corridor and Tumakuru-Davanagere Railway line. It is also abutting N.H.-4 running between Bangalore-Mumbai. Today 171.93 acres of land have been acquired for this purpose. At this stage allegedly some vested interested are making attempts to get these lands denotified to the tune of 144.31 acres out of 171.93 acres of lands acquired for the porpose of Railway Junction at Oorukere in Tumakuru taluk, Karnataka. It is astonishing that the denotification attempt is not at the request of the original land owners but at the behest of real estate persons. It is very unfortunate that South Western Railway has recommended for denotification of land stating that the land is not required for Railway Junction.

I urge the Hon'ble Minister of Railways to take immediate steps to desist from denotifying any land acquired at Oorukere and other villages in Tumakuru taluk and to establish the Railway Junction at Oorukere in Tumakuru taluk which is very essential in the interest of general public.